STARTS – FINAL PREP RACE

The following is a list of races from 1940 to present in which eventual Kentucky Derby winners made their final start before winning the "Run for the Roses":

Derby Winner	Year	Finish	Race
Rich Strike	2022	3rd	Jeff Ruby Steaks
Mandaloun	2021	6th	Louisiana Derby
Authentic	2020	1st	Haskell Invitational
Country House	2019	3rd	Arkansas Derby
Justify	2018	1st	Santa Anita Derby
Always Dreaming	2017	1st	Florida Derby
Nyquist	2016	1st	Florida Derby
American Pharoah	2015	1st	Arkansas Derby
California Chrome	2014	1st	Santa Anita Derby
Orb	2013	1st	Florida Derby
I'll Have Another	2012	1st	Santa Anita Derby
Animal Kingdom	2011	1st	Spiral
Super Saver	2010	2nd	Arkansas Derby
Mine That Bird	2009	4th	Sunland Derby
Big Brown	2008	1st	Florida Derby
Street Sense	2007	2nd	Blue Grass
Barbaro	2006	1st	Florida Derby
Giacomo	2005	4th	Santa Anita Derby
Smarty Jones	2004	1st	Arkansas Derby
Funny Cide	2003	2nd	Wood Memorial
War Emblem	2002	1st	Illinois Derby
Monarchos	2001	2nd	Wood Memorial
Fusaichi Pegasus	2000	1st	Wood Memorial
Charismatic	1999	1st	Lexington
Real Quiet	1998	2nd	Santa Anita Derby
Silver Charm	1997	2nd	Santa Anita Derby
Grindstone	1996	2nd	Arkansas Derby
Thunder Gulch	1995	4th	Blue Grass
Go for Gin	1994	2nd	Wood Memorial
Sea Hero	1993	4th	Blue Grass
Lil E. Tee	1992	2nd	Arkansas Derby
Strike the Gold	1991	1st	Blue Grass
Unbridled	1990	3rd	Blue Grass
Sunday Silence	1989	1st	Santa Anita Derby
Winning Colors	1988	1st	Santa Anita Derby
Alysheba	1987	3rd	Blue Grass
Ferdinand	1986	3rd	Santa Anita Derby
Spend a Buck	1985	1st	Garden State
Swale	1984	2nd	Lexington
Sunny's Halo	1983	1st	Arkansas Derby
Gato Del Sol	1982	2nd	Blue Grass
Pleasant Colony	1981	1st	Wood Memorial
Genuine Risk	1980	3rd	Wood Memorial
Spectacular Bid	1979	1st	Blue Grass
Affirmed	1978	1st	Hollywood Derby
Seattle Slew	1977	1st	Wood Memorial
Bold Forbes	1976	1st	Wood Memorial
Foolish Pleasure	1975	1st	Wood Memorial
Cannonade	1974	1st	CD allowance
Secretariat	1973	3rd	Wood Memorial
Riva Ridge	1972	1st	Blue Grass
Canonero II	1971	3rd	Venezuela race
Dust Commander	1970	1st	Blue Grass
Majestic Prince	1969	1st	CD allowance
Forward Pass	1968	1st	Blue Grass
Proud Clarion	1967	2nd	Blue Grass
Kauai King	1966	1st	Governor's Gold Cup
Lucky Debonair	1965	1st	Blue Grass
Northern Dancer	1964	1st	Blue Grass
Chateaugay	1963	1st	Blue Grass
Decidedly	1962	2nd	Blue Grass
Carry Back	1961	2nd	Wood Memorial
Venetian Way	1960	2nd	CD allowance
Tomy Lee-GB	1959	1st	Blue Grass
Tim Tam	1958	1st	Derby Trial
Iron Liege	1957	5th	Derby Trial
Needles	1956	1st	Florida Derby
Swaps	1955	1st	CD allowance
Determine	1954	2nd	Derby Trial
Dark Star	1953	1st	Derby Trial
Hill Gail	1952	1st	Derby Trial
Count Turf	1951	5th	Wood Memorial
Middleground	1950	2nd	Derby Trial
Ponder	1949	2nd	Derby Trial
Citation	1948	1st	Derby Trial
Jet Pilot	1947	1st	Jamaica Handicap
Assault	1946	4th	Derby Trial
Hoop Jr.	1945	1st	Wood Memorial
Pensive	1944	2nd	Chesapeake
Count Fleet	1943	1st	Wood Memorial
Shut Out	1942	1st	Blue Grass
Whirlaway	1941	2nd	Derby Trial
Gallahadion	1940	2nd	Derby Trial